

U.S. APPLICATION No. 10/065,817
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III. REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

A. Status of the Claims

Claims 1-14 are pending. Applicants have amended claims 1, 12, 13 and 14. No new matter is introduced by these amendments, and these amendments are fully supported by the specification. Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of the rejections of these claims for at least the reasons discussed below.

At the outset, Applicants would like to state that the amendments to claims 1, 12, 13 and 14 are directed to the same subject matter as the original claims, and are intended to clarify the scope of the claims and to overcome the rejections of the original claims.

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